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For: ENCODING AND DECODING	)	Date: August 20, 2004
APPARATUS AND METHOD WITH	)	
HAMMING WEIGHT	)	
ENHANCEMENT	)	

## **RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In complete response to the Office Action dated July 23, 2004, requiring restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121, Applicants hereby provisionally elect, without traverse, the Group I invention, comprising claims 1-10, 24-33, 38-47, 65-74, 88-97, 102-111, 118-137, 155-164 and 171-180 (the Patent Office's assumption that claim 137 should depend from claim 136, and not claim 146, is correct), drawn to a communication encoding method comprising processing the initial binary data based on the comparison to thereby develop processed binary data having a Hamming weight not less than the characteristic Hamming weight of the initial binary data, classified in class 714, subclass 781. Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications directed to the non-elected inventions.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this response or the application in general, the Examiner is urged to contact the Applicants' attorney, Andrew J. Bateman, by telephone at (202) 625-3547. All correspondence should continue to be directed to the address given below.

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